

State Historic Preservation Office

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Hurricane Irma Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Grants Grant applications due by 5:00 pm November 7, 2019. Grants will be awarded after January 1, 2020. Successful applications should plan on grant-funded activity not beginning before February 1, 2020.

South Carolina has been awarded a Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund grant (HIM ESHPF grant, CFDA No. 15.957) from the National Park Service (NPS). This emergency grant will assist with the repair of damage to historic properties in South Carolina damaged by Hurricane Irma (September 2017) by reimbursing documented costs of approved repairs and related efforts. The South Carolina Department of Archives and History (SCDAH) will manage the grant program for the State of South Carolina through an application process. Owners of historic buildings, structures, objects, and archeological sites in counties designated for Public Assistance (Abbeville, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Edgefield, Georgetown, Hampton, Jasper, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, and Saluda counties and the Catawba Indian Reservation) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) are eligible to apply for this NPS emergency grant funding. The program has approximately \$1.9 million for repair efforts. The grant with Federal Award Identification Number P19AP00015 was awarded to SCDAH on February 14, 2019.

Eligible Applicants

Any individual, corporation, local or state government entity, non-profit organization, or institution in South Carolina may apply for this grant.

Eligible Properties

For this grant, "historic properties" are those that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places, or eligible for listing as determined by the SHPO.

Eliqible Projects

Grant funds are to be used to help pay for repairs to National Register-listed or National Register-eligible buildings damaged by Hurricane Irma. Examples of eligible projects include replacing a leaking roof, repairing the structural framework of a building, and repairing deteriorated doors and windows to make a building watertight. Projects that are **NOT** eligible include routine building maintenance, climate control systems, plumbing or electrical, repairs to cemetery grave markers, and routine cemetery maintenance. Interior work is not eligible unless it is structural or otherwise repairs historic materials or finishes. All work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation. Stabilization projects require a preservation covenant agreement of up to 20 years be recorded with the property deed.

Applications should include complete "bid-ready" plans and specifications prepared by an appropriate design professional if available. Applicants may include the cost of hiring an appropriate design professional to prepare "bid-ready" plans and specifications in their grant-

supported budget. Applicants may include design fees in their grant-supported budget but these fees must be limited to a maximum of 25% of the total grant request. Applicants must wait until after a grant is awarded and a funding agreement is in place before conducting a competitive selection process for hiring appropriate design professionals and/or contractors.

Grant Requirements

Match and reimbursement

There is no match requirement for this grant. The South Carolina Department of Archives and History will reimburse grantees after it approves the project work and receives appropriate documentation of expenditures. The availability of matching funds will not be considered a competitive factor in the evaluation of applications.

Amounts available

Total amount available is \$1,946,485.

The minimum allowed grant request is \$10,000. The maximum allowed grant request is \$250,000

The SHPO reserves the right to limit amounts awarded in order to support the greatest number of eligible projects.

Project work

Project work must be carried out by professionals and will be subject to review and approval by the SHPO. All work must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's <u>"Standards for Archaeology and Historic Preservation"</u> and SHPO's guidelines and standards. **You cannot be reimbursed retroactively for work completed prior to the grant award.**

All grant recipients must follow required procurement procedures when hiring professional services. Procurement may not take place until after a grant has been awarded, a funding agreement has been signed, and the SHPO has given approval to proceed. All grant-funded work must be approved and completed not later than December 31, 2021. No extensions will be granted beyond this date.

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